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In re Patent Application of:

McAfee, Eric D.

Examiner: Saether,
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Art Unit: 3679

Filed: December 13, 2001

For: SURFACE MOUNT CAPTIVE
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed February 2, 2004, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to enter the following amendments and to consider the following remarks:

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For at least these reasons, Applicant respectfully submits that claims 1-2, 4-8, 13, 15-18 and 20-22 are patentably distinguished over any combination of Gulistan and DiBene, and are in condition for allowance.

35 U.S.C. § 103(a) Rejection of Claims 3, 14 and 19

The Examiner has rejected claims 3, 14 and 19 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being considered to be unpatentable over Gulistan, alone, or Gulistan in view of DiBene as applied to claims 1, 9, 13 and 17-18 (as discussed above), and further in view of Schwarz.

Applicant has cancelled claims 3, 14 and 19, thereby rendering this rejection moot.


Condition for Allowance

Applicant submits that all rejections and objections have been overcome and the present application is now in condition for allowance. If there are any additional charges or shortages related to the present communication, please charge our Deposit Account No. 02-2666.

Respectfully submitted,

BLAKELY, SOKOLOFF, TAYLOR & ZAFMAN LLP

Dated: June 2, 2004



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☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
18	-22** = 0	18	0
Independent Claims 3	-3** = 0	185	0
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1202 18	2202 9	Claims in excess of 20
1201 88	2201 43	Independent claims in excess of 3
1203 290	2203 145	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
1204 88	2204 43	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
1205 18	2205 9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

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1053 130	1053 130	Non-English specification	
1812 2,520	1812 2,520	For filing a request for <i>ex parte</i> reexamination	
1804 920*	1804 920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
1805 1,840*	1805 1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	110.00
1251 110	2251 55	Extension for reply within first month	
1252 420	2252 210	Extension for reply within second month	
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1401 330	2401 165	Notice of Appeal	
1402 330	2402 165	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1403 290	2403 145	Request for oral hearing	
1451 1,510	1451 1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1452 110	2452 55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
1453 1,330	2453 665	Petition to revive - unintentional	
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